

United States Department of Agriculture



Natural Resources Conservation Service
51 Santa Fe Drive
Clayton, NM 88415

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Name of Person

Natural Resources Conservation Service is responsible for reviewing the status of producer's tracts with Highly Erodible Land (HEL) or wetland in (county) county. Status reviews are to determine compliance with HEL and Wetland provisions of the Farm Bill. NRCS is mandated to review at least 5% of the producer tracts that receive USDA benefits, for compliance with HEL and wetlands regulations. In accordance with this requirement, we request you to include 5% of your FSA Farm Credit Borrowers that have land that meets the four criteria listed below.

- 1) Tract (any part of) received USDA benefits for the last crop year
- 2) Tract has HEL fields or inventoried or apparent wetlands
- 3) Tract has at least one field that was annually cropped the last crop year. Grass or legume fields that are rotated with an annual crop do qualify. Tracts that have been in grass or legume for more than 8 years and not regularly rotated do not qualify.
- 4) Tracts that have not been selected for review the past 2 years.

Please review the tract and producer list below and advise whether the list includes 5% of your borrowers that operate in the specified county.

<u>Producer</u>	<u>Tract</u>
(type in county list here)	

_____The tract and producer list does include 5% of the borrowers with land that meets the above criteria.

_____The tract and producer list does not include 5% of the borrowers with land that meets the above criteria. Please add the following producer(s) or tract(s) to the list.

<u>Producer</u>	<u>Tract</u>
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Signature

Date.

Please email or hard mail a copy by return mail.
Thanks for your assistance and cooperation!

(name) DC
(name) Field Office